

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Jonathan Tyler on 9/30/2010.

The application has been amended as follows:

In claim 1 line 2 after "external" insert - - configuration - -;

line 6, before "memory" insert - - controller - -;

line 7, delete "parameters" and insert - - configuration information - -;

line 9, after "external" insert - - configuration - -;

line 11, after "external" insert - - configuration - -;

line 13, after "external" insert - - configuration - -; and

line 17, after "external" insert - - configuration - -.

In claim 2 line 2, after "external" insert - - configuration - -.

In claim 6 line 2, after "external" insert - - configuration - -.

In claim 7 line 1, after "external" insert - - configuration - -.

In claim 9 line 1, after "external" insert - - configuration - -;

line 3, after "external" insert - - configuration - -; and

line 4, after "external" insert - - configuration - -.

In claim 10 line 1, after "external" insert - - configuration - -;

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line 3, after "external" insert - - configuration - -; and

line 4, after "external" insert - - configuration - -.

In claim 11 line 6, before "memory" insert - - controller - -;

line 7, delete "parameters" and insert - - configuration information - -;

line 14, after "external" insert - - configuration - -; and

line 15, after "external" insert - - configuration - -.

In claim 16 line 2, after "external" insert - - configuration - -.

In claim 17 line 2, after "external" insert - - configuration - -.

In claim 19 line 3, after "external" insert - - configuration - -.

In claim 20 line 3, after "external" insert - - configuration - -.

In claim 21 line 6, before "memory" insert - - controller - -;

line 7, delete "parameters" and insert - - configuration information - -;

line 14, after "external" insert - - configuration - -; and

line 15, after "external" insert - - configuration - -.

In claim 26 line 2, after "external" insert - - configuration - -.

In claim 28 line 2, after "external" insert - - configuration - -; and

line 3, after "external" insert - - configuration - -.

REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

The amendment filed on 9/16/2010 has been considered in view of the specification and the drawings of this application with respect to the references of the record. The references of the record, such as Iwashita et al (5,656,906, fail to teach or suggest a parameter memory and a configuration memory with its configuration as recited in the claims.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to /PAUL IP/ whose telephone number is (571)272-1941. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday to Friday from 6:30 am to 3:00 pm.

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